

Invention 114 (Claim 8) drawn to a method of isolating a gene related to IgA nephropathy by differential display;

Inventions 115-121 (Claim 9), drawn to a protein as set forth in SEQ ID NOS: 34-40; or

Inventions 122-128 (Claims 14-17, 20 and 21), drawn to an antibody which recognizes the protein as set forth in claim 9.

As before, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the invention 1-37 (Claims 1-3, 5, 7, 10-13, 18 and 19).^{1/} Additionally, Applicants hereby select for search the species of SEQ ID NO:7.

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Recalling too that processes "limited to making or using a nonobvious product" should be rejoined when a product claim is found allowable.